

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
AUSTIN DIVISION**

OCA-GREATER HOUSTON, *et al.*,

*Plaintiffs,*

v.

DEPUTY SECRETARY OF STATE JOSE A.  
ESPARZA, *et al.*,

*Defendants.*

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Case No. 1:21-cv-00780-XR

**UNOPPOSED MOTION TO SET DEADLINE FOR RESPONSIVE PLEADING**

Defendants Esparza and Paxton (the “State Defendants”) respectfully request that the Court set their deadline to answer or otherwise respond to Plaintiffs’ Complaint as October 25, 2021. Four cases now before this Court challenge Senate Bill 1 (“SB1”). The State Defendants in these SB1 cases have different response deadlines in different cases, and in particular cases, some of the individual State Defendants have different response deadlines. The State Defendants request a uniform response deadline so that they may respond to each lawsuit on the same day and have sufficient time to prepare their responses. The plaintiffs in each of the SB1 cases pending in this Court have agreed to a uniform response date of October 25, 2021.

The State Defendants do not seek this motion for delay, but for good cause. This motion will not prejudice Plaintiffs who do not oppose the relief requested.

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**CERTIFICATE OF CONFERENCE**

I certify that counsel for the State Defendants conferred with counsel for Plaintiffs about the foregoing motion. Plaintiffs do not oppose the relief requested.

/s/ Jeffrey M. White  
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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that a true and accurate copy of the foregoing document was filed electronically (via CM/ECF) on September 21, 2021, and that all counsel of record were served by CM/ECF.

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